

HEADLONG FROM A WINDOW.

MISS JEWETT'S SUICIDE AT THE WINDSOR HOTEL.

SHE WAS THE DAUGHTER OF CHARLES JEWETT, FORMERLY PRESIDENT OF THE JEWETT WHITE LEAD COMPANY —AN INVALID FOR YEARS.

Charles H. Sweet, plunged out of a window of her room on the second floor of the Windsor Hotel about 9 o'clock yesterday morning, and was dashed to death on the stone slabs below. The circumstances in connection with her death are peculiarly sad. In the room with her at the time that she jumped to her death was her mother, who made heroic but ineffectual efforts to stop her. Her mad act was no doubt due to temporary insanity, as every circumstance seems to substantiate that theory. It could hardly have been premeditated, as only a short time before she had been in apparently good spirits and talked rationally. There is no reason whatever that can be assigned for her suicide, except that she became insane and was not responsible for her act.

Miss Jewett lived with her parents on Staten Island. Her father, Charles H. Jewett, was formerly president of the Jewett White Lead Company, but is now retired. She has one brother, Edward H. Jewett, who is a broker at No. 25 Broad-st. Both her father and her brother are members of the Down Town Association. The family have lived at New Brighton, Staten Island, but Mrs. Jewett and her daughter had been at the Windsor Hotel for some days previous to the young woman's death. Miss Jewett had been in poor health for a long time. Her disorder was of a nervous character, and at the time of her death her mother was making arrangements to take her to Europe, where she would be attended by a doctor.

While at her home on Staten Island, Miss Jewett was under the care of Dr. William C. Walser, of Livingstone, Staten Island. He advised a change, and her father decided to take her to a hotel in the mountains near Manchester, Vt. The house on Staten Island was closed up last week and the family came to New-York and went to the Windsor to live until such a time as

that he could leave town. Rooms were assigned to them on the second floor in the back. These rooms overlooked the Central Railroad tracks and the courtyard, which is paved with stone flagging. In order to be near her daughter, Mrs. Jewett occupied the same room with her. Miss Jewett's symptoms were peculiar, but it is said that no one ever dreamed that she contemplated violence to herself. She would sit at the window

on the Central tracks seemed to have a fascination for her. Then she would become extremely nervous. She was morose and brilliant by turns. Her friends were unable to understand her moods. She was in her twenty-fifth year, and had all her life been more or less troubled with nervous complaints.

IN GOOD SPIRITS SATURDAY NIGHT.

mother and father, she took a drive through Central Park. The drive seemed to do her a wonderful amount of good, and she chatted and laughed with her parents. Upon returning to the hotel she continued to talk brightly, and also evening her mother was congratulating herself that her child was much better. The family retired early and apparently Miss Jewett slept well. As it was an excessively warm night, the windows in the rooms were left open.

Miss Jewett awakened about 8 o'clock yesterday morning, and immediately got up. She called for her daughter, who responded at once. They had

that Mrs. Jewett was dressing. She did not make any move toward dressing herself, but sat around the room in her nightgown. Her mother, having completed her toilet, went down stairs to the telephone, and called up Dr. Walsen on Staten Island. She told him that her daughter was much improved, and that they were getting ready to take a train on the New-York Central Railroad to go to the mountains. She then went to the dining-room and ordered that breakfast

HER MOTHER TRIED TO INTERCEPT HER

The waiter who served the meal says that when he took it up to the room Miss Jewett was still in bed. The rest of the story, as told by Mrs. Jewett, is rather disconnected. Miss Jewett had been lying on the bed in a sort of a reverie. Suddenly she sprang up, and started to run for one of the windows. Her mother, divining her purpose,

The only person that saw Miss Jewett strike the ground was the telephone boy. The telephone box is almost alongside the window, directly beneath the window of Mrs. Jewett's room. He saw her eyes when he was called to the telephone booth, but he did not see her when he saw her strike the ground.

something "white flash" passed, turned quickly, and heard a dull noise, as if some heavy body was striking the ground. He saw that some one had fallen. He says that Mrs. Jewett turned over in coming down, and struck on the back of her head. She did not cry out or moan. She simply gave a sort of shudder, and then straightened out. The boy looked up and saw Mrs. Jewett standing at the window, with her hands over her face. She was screaming. The window is about forty-five feet above the ground.

Policeman Roe, the officer on duty in front of the hotel, was sent for. He went out into the courtyard, and forbade any one touching the body except the hotel physician. The hotel doctor, after a superficial examination, said that the girl was dead. There was a hemorrhage from the left ear, and the base of the skull seemed to be broken. The Coroner's Office was informed of the

of the body to an undertaking establishment. Coroner Hoehner viewed the body, but as Mr. and Mrs. Jewett were completely prostrated with grief, he said that he would defer taking the statements for a day or so until they recovered from the shock.

Edward H. Jewett, the brother, was not there at the time that the unfortunate affair occurred, but he was sent for. He superintended the removal of the body to Davidson's undertaking rooms at No. 147 West Forty-sixth-st. The church

service when the third party arrived. Later in the day the body was taken to the other undertaking rooms of the same firm West Seventy-second-st.

Last night, at the Windsor Hotel, all members of the family declined to be seen. The funeral will take place at 3 p. m. on Tuesday from the Windsor Hotel, and the burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery. Miss Jewett was well known in Staten Island society and was popular with large circle of friends.

THE KANSAS CORN CROP SAFE.
Junction City, Kan., Aug. 11.—All Central Kansas corn was drenched Friday night. From one and one-half to four inches are reported along the main line of the Union Pacific, including the Belleville area. Solomon branches, as well as the Missouri, Kansas and Texas. This places all late corn beyond the reach of dry weather, and will materially benefit all dry-planted fields, excepting the strip running from Hope, Dickinson County, to the north line.

BOUGHT BY A BRITISH SYNDICATE.
Springfield, Ohio, Aug. 11.—It was reported here yesterday authoritatively that a British syndicate which has been after the big harvesting machine shops of Amos Whitley & Co., has bought the and will take possession September 1. Eight hundred hands are to be employed. Harry Morshouse of Cincinnati, is negotiating the deal.